

July 23, 1974

Mr. Jack VanMatre
O.K. Tire Company
1908 South Campbell
Springfield, Missouri 65807

Dear Mr. VanMatre:

Following our discussion some days ago, the sewer connection from the sump in your building has been inspected by Surveillance and Enforcement personnel and by a Plumbing Inspector. It is their collective opinion that the connection was in no way permanent or tight, that it could have been disturbed by practically any outside force, and that it was not in compliance with the Plumbing Code (B.O.C.A.) It is the position of the City of Springfield that:

1. There is substantial doubt that the dislodging of the connecting piece of plastic pipe was, in fact, due to activities of City personnel.
2. If the plumbing had been in compliance with regulations, the problem would probably not have occurred.

For the above reasons, we feel that we cannot honor your claim that the City of Springfield should pay for service rendered by Sater Sewer Service, to remove said piece of connecting pipe from your sewer line.

If you still feel that you have a valid claim against the City of Springfield, I would ask that you contact our Legal Department. If we may be of further assistance or can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours truly,

Charles H. Criswell
Associate Sanitary Engineer
Water Pollution Control

CHC:cc

cc: Mr. Rick Morris, Assistant City Attorney
Mr. Jerry King, Structural Engineer
Mr. Jim Burris, Regional Engineer, Missouri Clean Water Commission

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